

REMARKS

The applicants have carefully considered the Office action of April 4, 2008. By way of this Response, claims 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 21, 25-29, 31, and 32 have been amended, claims 6, 14, 22, and 30 have been canceled, and claims 33-42 have been added. No new matter has been added. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application.

Claim Objections

Claim 6 was rejected under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) as being of improper independent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Per this Response, Claim 6 has been canceled.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 17-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as directed to non-statutory subject matter. Per this Response, claims 17, 25-29, 31, and 32 have been amended and are now directed to statutory subject matter.

Examiner Interview Summary

The undersigned thanks Examiner Boyce for his courtesies extended during the interview with Mark Zimmerman, Kim Jacklin, and the undersigned at the United States Patent and Trademark Office on Tuesday August 26, 2008. The undersigned thanks Examiner Boyce for his time and believes that the interview has significantly advanced the prosecution of this case. As discussed during the interview, it is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendments overcome the art rejection of record.

In the event that the examiner would like to discuss the aforementioned claims, or any other matter, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

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